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Hi

From what Joe Public can tell about this case is that the big cause for alarm is that microsoft bundles application software with the sale of its OS. I do not believe that this should be the sole focus of why MS business violates anti-trust law.

Have you ever tried to buy an PC with intel architecture without buying MS's operating system? Do not bother, it is impossible for consumers (businesses may do this when they buy machines en mass). I cannot buy a new machine to install another OS on it without buying Windows with it. If I already own windows and my hardware becomes outdated, I cannot decommission my dinosaur and install the OS I already own onto my new hardware.

This is not a fair marketplace. Other superior operating systems have come and gone because of this practice and it really pisses me off. It is a shame, because microsoft actually makes some fine, high quality products. They do not have to practice business this way to remain profitable.

Cheers

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"Get thee down. Be thou funky."

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